

# Van Bourgondien BULBS are Unsurpassed

Yellow King  
Humbert

President



## SPECTACULAR FLAGPOLE CANNAS

The kind that decorate public parks and gardens. Start indoors for earlier bloom.

**CITY OF PORTLAND.** Large, rose-pink; green foliage.

**HUNGARIA.** Delicate rose; green foliage.

**KING HUMBERT.** Fire-engine-red; bronze foliage.

**YELLOW KING HUMBERT.** Yellow; green foliage.

**THE PRESIDENT.** Rich scarlet; green foliage.

**WYOMING.** Bright orange; bronze foliage.

**YOUR CHOICE: Each 25c; 3 for 70c; 12 for \$2.50.**  
Separately Packed and Labeled.

## TUBEROSES DWARF DOUBLE PEARL

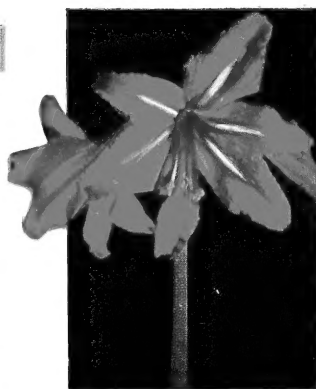
Delightfully sweet-scented and beautiful. Plant in beds for best effects.

### SINGLE MEXICAN

Traditionally popular variety noted for its overpowering fragrance.

**Either Variety: 3 for 45c; 12 for \$1.50; 25 for \$2.75.**

**SATISFACTION  
GUARANTEED!**



## Giant Hybrid AMARYLLIS Hippeastrum

Considered by many the loveliest of all bulbs for indoor culture only. Colors range from white striped with pink, through all shades of red, to deep maroon. Delivered at any time desired during February and March.

**Each 70c; 6 for \$4.00;  
12 for \$7.50.**

## FANCY LEAVED CALADIUM

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Very showy foliage plants with red, green and white variegated leaves. Marvelous pot plants for the conservatory or sun porch. Do well in shady window boxes or even for outdoor bedding in shady or semi-shady positions. **3 for \$1.00; \$3.50 per doz.; \$26.00 per 100.**



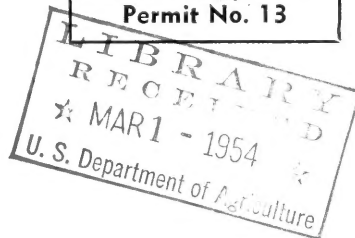
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# *Van Bourgondien's Spectacular* DOUBLE FLOWERING

SHADE - LOVING

TUBEROUS  
ROOTED

## BEGONIAS

Now you can grow BIG, COLORFUL FLOWERS IN THE SHADE—in northside nooks and tree-sheltered places where other flowers will not bloom. Brilliant in **color range** . . . exquisite in **flower forms** . . . exceptional in **size and vigor**. Use them to edge borders . . . for mass display in flower beds . . . as colorful punctuation-points among low shrubs. What's more, they make glorious **house plants** and long-lasting **cut flowers**.

### GIANT CAMELLIA-TYPE BEGONIAS

Cardinal-Red • Golden Yellow • Light Pink  
Soft Orange • Pure White • Deep Rose

6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.25; 24 for \$4.25.

Your Own Selection of Colors, Separately Labeled.

**OUR OWN CHOICE  
COLOR MIXTURE "X"**  
6 Tubers, Giant Camellia-Type  
Begonias—Only \$1.10

### Giant Double Carnation Begonias

Yellow • Scarlet • Orange • Pink

4 for 85c; 8 for \$1.60; 24 for \$4.75.

Your Own Selection of Colors, Separately Labeled.

### Giant Frilled Single Begonias

Scarlet • White • Salmon • Rose

4 for 85c; 8 for \$1.60; 24 for \$4.75.

Your Own Selection of Colors, Separately Labeled.

### Special Mixture of all Types

Our own famous selection of choice varieties.  
Excellent assortment.

6 for \$1.00; 12 for \$1.90;  
25 for \$3.70.

BULBS BELOW FOR EARLY AUGUST DELIVERY

## COLCHICUM

NEEDS NO WATER  
NEEDS NO SOIL

Bulbs Are as Big as Tennis Balls!

Set them on tables or sills near windows. And that's all. With no further attention on your part, they will bear large, truly lovely flowers. After blossoms fade, plant bulbs in garden, and dig up when new foliage dies down. Come September, they'll bloom indoors again.

IF YOU WANT TO LEAVE THEM IN THE GARDEN THEY WILL CONTINUE TO FLOWER THERE IN SEPTEMBER YEAR AFTER YEAR. ORDER NOW FOR AUG. DELIVERY.

**AUTUMN QUEEN.** Dark lilac, prolific and early.  
Each 50c; 3 for \$1.40;  
12 for \$5.00.

**VIOLET QUEEN.** Most delightful lilac-violet. Super-size.  
Each 50c; 3 for \$1.40;  
12 for \$5.00.

**LILAC WONDER.** Extra large, extra clear mauve. Very free flowering.  
Each 50c; 3 for \$1.40;  
12 for \$5.00.

**THE GIANT.** Rich mauve on white ground. Unusually lovely.  
Each 50c; 3 for \$1.40;  
12 for \$5.00.

**COLCHICUM COLLECTION "H"**  
1 of Each Variety  
4 bulbs \$1.80  
2 of Each Variety  
8 bulbs \$3.50  
5 of Each Variety  
20 bulbs \$9.00  
Varieties Separately  
Packed and Labeled



MADONNA LILIES LILUM CANDIDUM			
Not Illustrated			
No picture could do justice to this aristocrat of snow-white flowers. Fragrant, waxy, trumpet-shaped blossoms are breathtaking in their loveliness. We offer our choicest stock at value-packed prices . . . to be delivered in August for September planting. Order now!			
	Each	6	12
JUMBO SIZE	\$0.65	\$3.65	\$7.10
FIRST SIZE	.45	2.50	5.20

## AUTUMN FLOWERING CROCUS

Flowers September or October if planted before September. Order now for early August delivery. Superb for rock gardens, under small shrubs, etc.

**ZONATUS.** Free-flowering rose-lilac variety with yellow throat . . . \$0.70 1.30 2.45

**SATIVUS.** (Saffron Crocus). Large, purplish violet; prominent orange stigmata . . . .70 1.30 2.45

**SPECIOSUS.** Large light blue; orange-red anthers, yellow throat. .70 1.30 2.45

**SPECIOSUS ALBUS.** Free-flowering large white, flushed rose outside. .80 1.50 2.85

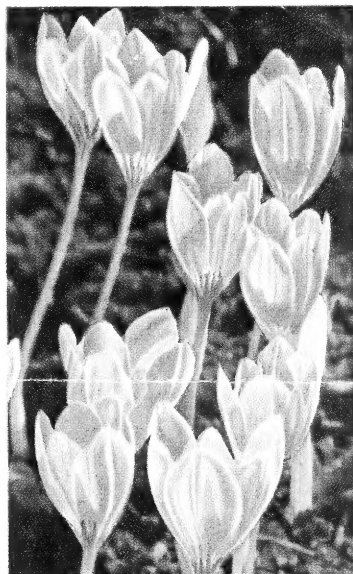
### Special Crocus Collection "C"

Four Varieties Listed, Separately Packed and Labeled

6 of Each Variety  
24 bulbs \$1.40

12 of Each Variety  
48 bulbs \$2.60

25 of Each Variety  
100 bulbs \$5.00.



## STERNBERGIA LUTEA

Large funnel-shaped flowers of rich golden yellow, believed to be the "Lilies-of-the Field" mentioned in the Bible. Make delightful house plants when potted indoors . . . brilliant fall flowering garden plants when planted before September. Order now for early August delivery.

6 for \$1.25; 12 for \$2.25;  
25 for \$4.25.



## AMARYLLIS HALLI

At New Low Prices!

A hardy variety of one of Nature's most spectacular flowers. Attractive foliage dies down suddenly in July . . . and is quickly replaced by sturdy, 3-ft. flower stalks . . . crowned with clusters of enormous Lily-shaped flowers of delicate pink, shaded with clear, lovely blue. Delivery in August right after they have bloomed and are ready to start a new year's growth in your garden.

Each 40c; 3 for \$1.10; 12 for \$4.10.



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Morning Kiss

# NEW DUTCH

**ACCA LAURENTIA.** Bright scarlet-orange, yellow spots.

**HOPMAN'S GLORY.** Sunflower-yellow. Large and vigorous.

**ELIZABETH THE QUEEN.** Exquisite ruffled lavender. Regal in size and richness of tone.

**JUNEBELLS.** Snow-white. Eight super-size flowers open at one time.

**ROSA VAN LIMA.** Light pink, penciled throat.

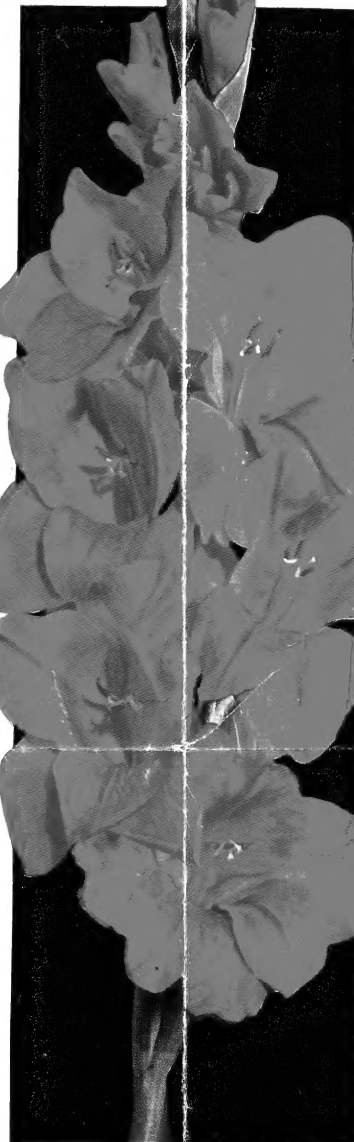
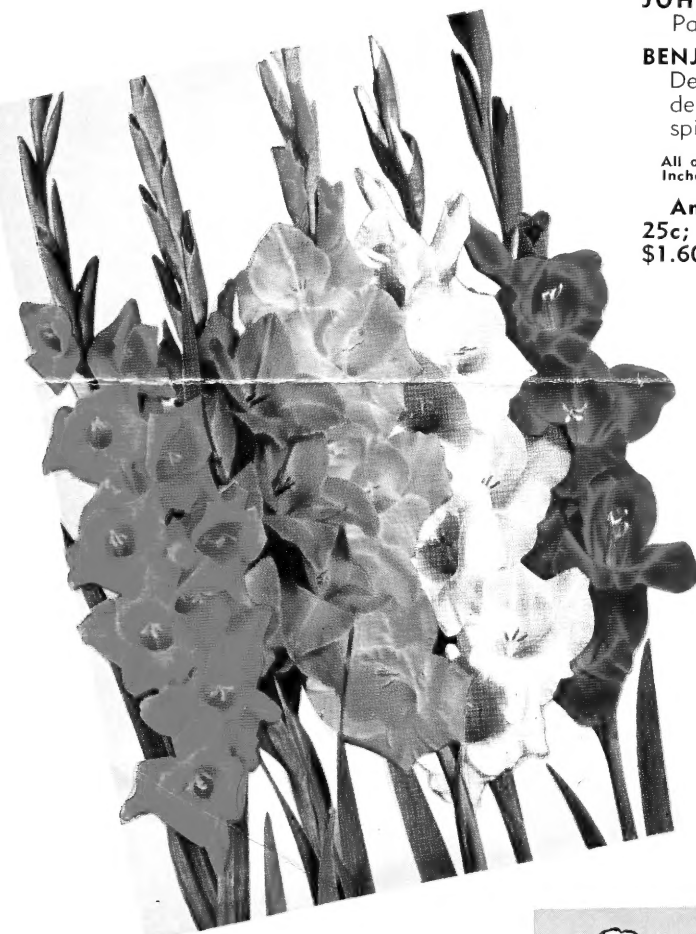
**JOHANN STRAUSS.**  
Pale cochineal-red.

**BENJAMIN BRITTEN.**  
Deep mauve-lavender; tall, straight spike.

All of These Bulbs Are 1½ Inches in Diameter and up

Any 1 variety: 3 for 25c; 12 for 90c; 25 for \$1.60; 50 for \$3.00.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION 'B' OF ABOVE VARIETIES**  
3 of each variety 21 for \$1.65  
6 of each variety 42 for \$3.10  
12 of each variety 84 for \$6.00  
Varieties Separately Packed and Labeled.



New Red Gladiolus  
TRESLONG

Our own introduction. See lower left for description.

# GLADIOLUS

**LEEUEWENHORST.** A pink that is really pink, pure and lovely. Beautiful formation of huge florets on tall upright stems, an ideal show variety as well as a cut flower.

**SPOTLIGHT.** Soft canary yellow with true scarlet blotch in throat. Unusually large and lovely! (Illustrated)

**MEMORIAL DAY.** Reddish magenta.

**MORNING KISS.** Fine stately white. Large, lasting and deserving a place in every garden. (Illustrated).

**SALMON'S ELITE.** Ivory-white, creamy yellow blotch.

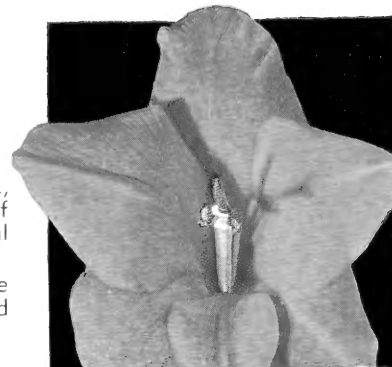
**NEW EUROPE.** Fiery scarlet. Sensationally vivid!

**DR. FLEMING.** Exquisite rose-orchid, fading to white at throat.

All of These Bulbs Are 1½ Inches in Diameter and up

Any 1 variety: 3 for 30c; 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$2.00; 50 for \$3.75.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION 'A' OF ABOVE VARIETIES**  
3 of each variety 21 for \$2.00  
6 of each variety 42 for \$3.80  
12 of each variety 84 for \$7.40  
Varieties Separately Packed and Labeled.



Spotlight



## NEW RED GLADIOLUS TRESLONG!

A beautiful new scarlet Gladiolus. We are the only concern offering this new variety, which is grown exclusively by our Holland nurseries. Grows with a tall, straight spike and in the future will be one of the best red cut-flower varieties.

Each 25c \$2.50 per doz.  
\$19.00 per 100



## KNOW FROM WHOM YOU BUY!

The Van Bourgondiens are an ancient Dutch family whose vast farms at Hillegom, Holland, are world-famous. The bulbs of-fered here are the finest of their kind—sent to you direct . . . care-fully packaged, honestly labeled. Get the most in beauty, quality, value—with genuine Van Bourg-ondien bulbs today!

## OUR GUARANTEE!

We endorse all the superlative bulbs offered in this catalogue, without reser-vation! There are none finer on the market. Plant them now with confidence . . . enjoy them for seasons—but none better! Money promptly refunded if not absolutely satisfied in every respect!

## TERMS!

**PREPAID SHIPMENTS:** We prepay all charges on orders accompanied by pay-ment in full. No C.O.D.'s. Over-payments promptly refunded. **CULTURAL DIRECTIONS:** We include explicit cultural di-rections for every variety. **CATALOGS:** outdoor and indoor culture! plant bulbs if you do not intend to plant bulbs this year, please give this catalog to a friend or return it to us. Thank you.

## SPECIAL FLORISTS' MIXTURE IN 12 CHOICE COLORS!

Not a catch-all of left-overs—but a **hand-pick-ed** blend, guaranteed to contain an **even mixture** of white, red, soft pink, purple, bright salmon, ma-noon, deep rose, yellow, lavender, smoky and bi-color varieties! Giant bulbs—1¼ in. to 1½ in. diameter produce enormous blooms . . . extra long lasting when cut! Super value!

25 for \$1.00; 50 for \$1.75;  
100 for \$3.25.

## Exhibition Dahlias

### Extra-Large-Flowering Decorative Dahlias

**AVALON.** (4) Large clear yellow.

**D-DAY.** (1) True pink, excellent for cutting.

**COMMANDO.** (2) Very fine deep lavender.

**MRS. GEO. LE BOUTELLIER.** (3) Enormous deep red, fine garden flower.

**N. Y. MARKET.** White, shaded lavender.

**CLARA CLEMENS.** Ball type, beautiful bi-color, red with white tip.

### Extra-Large-Flowering Cactus Dahlias

**EDGAR GUEST.** New large yellow, strong grower.

**FLORIST'S BEAUTY.** Deep red, tipped white, good cut flower.

**MADGE SAWYER.** Pure pink, extra fine.

Your Choice of Varieties—Separately Packed and Labeled.  
Each 50c      6 for \$2.75      12 for \$5.25

## Pompon DAHLIAS

(5)

**AMBER QUEEN.** (5) Soft, golden amber. **MORNING**

**MIST.** (7) Lavender-pink.

**CARDINAL.** (9) Vivid red.

**CATHERINE.** (6) Pure yellow.

**BETTY**

**ANN.** (10) Fine

pink. **EDITH MUEL-**

**LER.** (8) Rose-red and yellow.

Your Choice of Varieties—  
Separately Packed  
and Labeled.

Ea. 35c      3 for 95c  
12 for \$3.50

### POMPON DAHLIA

**SPECIAL** 1 of each variety  
**OFFER "P"** 6 for \$1.75

(6) 3 of each variety  
18 for \$5.00

Separately Packed,  
Labeled.

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### MINIATURE DAHLIAS COLLECTION "D"

Pink, Red, Lavender, White

1 each color ( 4 bulbs) .. \$1.20

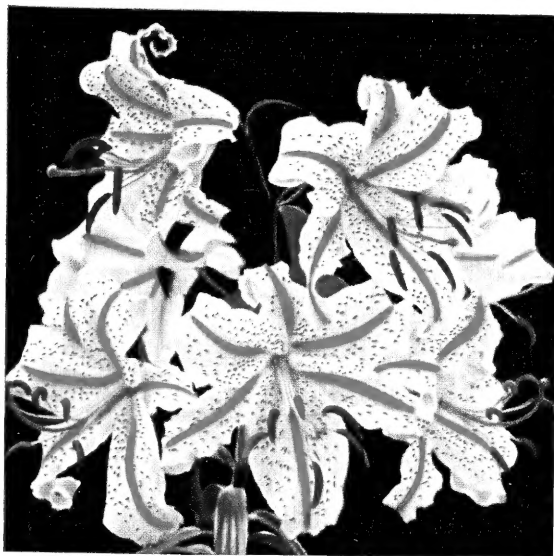
3 each color (12 bulbs) .. 3.25

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# HARDY LILIES

*For Lasting Beauty!*



## GOLD BANDED LILIIUM AURATUM

Rich creamy white spotted with crimson and striped with gold along center of each petal! Each stalk bears up to 15 enormous flowers, up to 8 to 10 inches across.

Each 50c; 3 for \$1.40; 6 for \$2.65.



## LILIIUM SPECIOSUM RUBRUM

Huge white flowers flushed with pink and spotted with carmine. In full glory in August-September, when brilliant color is especially welcome. No garden is complete without this exquisite, easy-to-grow favorite. Very large bulbs.

Each 45c; 3 for \$1.25; 6 for \$2.40.

## NEW TIGRINUM HYBRIDS

Originated at one of the famous agricultural Universities. Highly recommended. A new color strain, orange-red, purple spotted. Flowers in September.

Each 45c; 3 for \$1.25; 6 for \$2.40.



## LILIIUM REGALE

Enormous white, funnel-shaped flowers have sunny yellow throats . . . wine-colored exteriors. 4 to 5 ft. tall. Flowers in July. Do well even in poor soils.

Size: 8 in. around, 40c each; 3 for \$1.10; 6 for \$2.00. 6 in. around, 25c each; 3 for 65c; 6 for \$1.15.

## SPECIAL LILY COLLECTION "R"

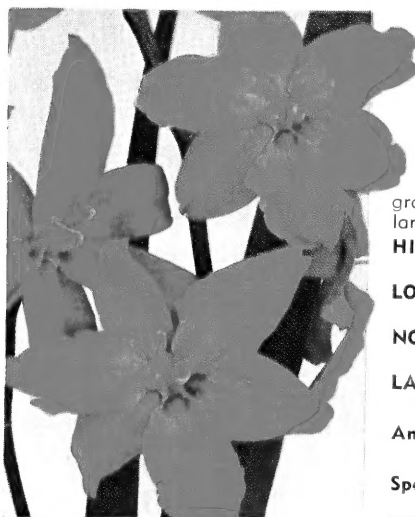
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1 of each variety	3 of each variety	6 of each variety
4 bulbs \$1.70	12 bulbs \$5.00	24 bulbs \$9.50.





# Lesser Known Bulbs of Charm and Beauty!



## New Giant Flowering ← MONTBRETIAS

Montbretias have a charm and elegance all their own. Free flowering in August, September and October, their graceful, colorful spikes are especially popular for planting among Zinnias and Asters.

**HIS MAJESTY.** Velvet scarlet and crimson shading to gold.

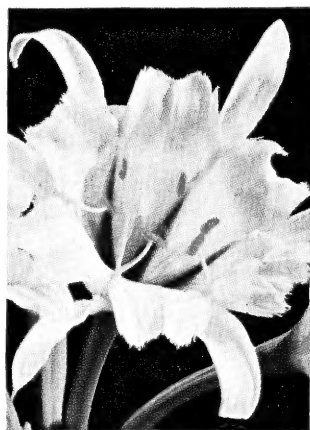
**LORD NELSON.** Deep orange-scarlet, glowing bronze center.

**NORWICH CANARY.** Rich yellow, of unusually heavy texture.

**LADY WILSON.** Sunny maize with vibrant orange sheen.

Any one variety: 3 for 35c; 12 for \$1.10; 50 for \$4.20.

Special Mixture: 12 for \$1.10; 25 for \$2.10.



## ISMENE ↑ CALATHINA

### PERUVIAN DAFFODIL

Large pearly white flowers are strikingly fragrant and resemble fantastically fringed Lilies. May be started indoors and planted out in middle of May. Flower profusely all through July and August.

Each 50c; 3 for \$1.40; 12 for \$5.00.



### MONTBRETIA COLLECTION "M"

3 of Each Variety:

12 bulbs \$1.00

6 of Each Variety:

24 bulbs \$1.90

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and Labeled

## ← OXALIS DEPPEI

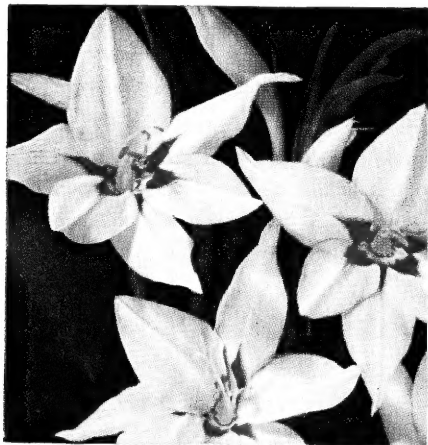
(*Tetraphylla speciosa*.) A fine variety having coppery pink blossoms and leaves with purple bands. Can be grown in rock garden or in pots indoors. Leaves look like four leaved Clover.

12 for \$1.00; 25 for \$1.90; 100 for \$7.00.

## ACIDANTHERA MURIELAE ↓

From distant Ethiopia come these lovely white stars with their beautiful mahogany eyes. 4 inches across on sturdy, 3-ft. stems . . . extremely sweet-scented . . . excellent for cutting. Flower mid-August, September . . . never damaged by wind or rain. As easy to grow as any Gladiolus.

3 for 40c; 12 for \$1.10;  
50 for \$4.20.

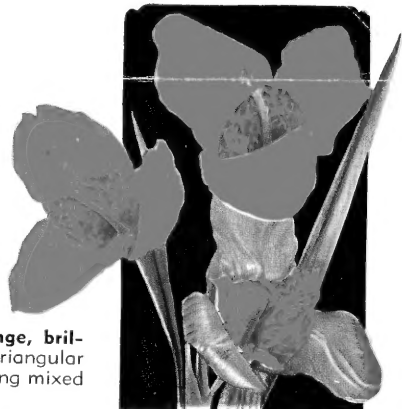


## TIGRIDIA →

### MEXICAN SHELL FLOWER

The glowing colors of molten lava—gleaming yellow, fiery orange, brilliant scarlet—make these silky, triangular flowers truly extraordinary. Dazzling mixed colors only.

3 for 35c; 12 for \$1.35;  
25 for \$2.55.



## → CLIMBING Lily

### GLORIOSA Rothschildiana

A splendid low climber, easy to grow in the garden; it does well in sheltered spots out-of-doors. Grows 5 to 6 feet high, producing a dozen or more gorgeous Lily-like flowers which open to a bright yellow and red, but change to a deep scarlet. In bloom through the summer and autumn months. Most unusual and rare garden bulb. Store tubers in winter like Gladioli; may be used season after season.

Each \$1.25;  
3 for \$3.60;  
\$13.00 per doz.

